

C. C. KNELL.

The skating rink has a telephone, No. 1160. It will be very handy for the girls who can telephone their best young man when to call for them, when they get tired slipping around on the rollers.

Skipped Again.

Late Dumick has again skipped by the light of the moon. He left Monday night about eight o'clock without any word of explanation, and nothing has been heard of him since.

River Rapids.

The Sidney is expected out tomorrow. The Josephine went out for St. Louis with a big trip of onions and potatoes.

The Mary Morton will be down tomorrow morning on her last trip this season. She will be the last through boat to St. Paul in the Diamond line.

New Court House.

The voters of Scott county, Iowa, will have the following on their ballots at the regular state and county election next week: "For the borrowing of one hundred and fifty thousand (\$150,000) dollars, for the erection of a new court house to be built upon the court house square in the city of Davenport, Scott county, Iowa, and for the levy of an annual additional tax not to exceed three mills on the dollar, on the county valuation, in one year, not exceeding ten years, to pay said debts."

The Last Rites.

The funeral services of the late Charles DeLaney were held from the residence of John O'Neill on Third avenue between Tenth and Eleventh streets, at 2:30 yesterday afternoon. Rev. S. S. Cryer officiating. The pall bearers were William Kaupke, John O'Neill, Charles Golden, Capt. Frank Bowen, Edward Cook, and Charles Hamskill. There was quite a large attendance at the house, notwithstanding the inclement weather, and an extensive funeral cortege to Chippewa where the interment took place.

A Rare Coin.

Jos. Durman, of Warner station, was a caller at the Argus office today and exhibited two rare Spanish coins, one of which is 300 years old, while the other is 254 years in use. He has been offered several hundred dollars for them, but says he would not part with them for all the money in the United States. The managers of the New Orleans Exposition hearing of them wrote to Mr. Durman asking for their loan, but he refused to let them go out of his hands, even with the assurance that they would be returned. Associations aside from the rare species of the coin have made them very dear to him.

Martin, Woods & Co.

One of the most enterprising and successful business firms in this vicinity is the commission firm of Martin, Woods & Co., No. 117 East Second street, Davenport. They occupy a large new building, which was arranged to suit their business. The building is 28x150, three stories and basement. The upper story is used as a storage room, the other floors, including the basement, are devoted to their jobbing trade. They are sole agents for Atmore's mace meat, Duff's cider and Stanley & Son's Michigan and New York packed apples. Read advertisement in another column.

Astronomical.

Saturn, the big ringed planet, is now in the best condition for gazing at him. He is at the point in his orbit nearest the sun and also nearest the earth. When at his greatest distance from the sun he is 930,678,000 miles from the central orb, and when nearest the distance is 823,301,000. When at the farthest point from both earth and sun he is 283,672,000 miles farther from us than now. In size he is 700 times larger than the earth, but is so light that if we should come in contact with him our mother earth would knock him into smithereens—go through him like a bullet through a puff ball. He rises now before 10 o'clock and will be in good view for a month. It will be 29½ years before he passes under such favorable conditions. With an ordinary telescope his rings can be seen.

The Soldiers' Home by Express.

A long, curious and altogether suspicious looking box was landed at the county building this morning; it came from Chicago, the consignor being Circuit Clerk Bowman, but the express messenger not finding anyone about the county offices who was desirous of receiving it, started out in the direction of the proposed soldiers' home location. When Circuit Clerk Bowman and Sheriff Rotsicker left for Chicago the first of the week, they swore by all the rings of Saturn that they would bring the soldiers' home back with them, and now the boys about the county building are ready to bet their last copper that the queer looking box was the soldiers' home, which the county officers in Chicago have secured and in order to get it out of the way of the other competing localities, have shipped it down to this locality.

Police Points.

Pat Cobley, arrested and fined \$20 and costs a week ago for drunkenness, and upon whom, at the time, fine was suspended during good behavior, was arrested yesterday for a repetition of the offense. Magistrate Bennett issued a mittimus for Cobley's commitment to the county jail until the original amount be paid in labor.

Justice Cooke fined J. E. Robertson

\$25 and costs, and \$15 and costs in each of two charges of assault this morning. Robertson is a solicitor for the Adams Manufacturing Co., of Davenport. Yesterday he called at the residence of Mrs. Anna Merrill in the lower part of town, for the purpose of procuring a wringer which had been left there on trial. The lady refused to give the machine up and her sister Jennie attempted to aid her. A struggle for the wringer ensued, in which the ladies claim that Robertson struck each of them. M. M. Corbett appeared for the defense, and States Attorney Entrikin prosecuted. An appeal was taken.

Fire and Accidents.

Insurance in reliable companies at lowest rates, apply to E. Lieberknecht, real estate, loan and insurance agent, and notary public. Collections made. Office 171½ Second avenue.

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A SEASON OF PRAYER.

A Week to be Observed by the Y. M. C. A. all Over the World—Its Origin—Interesting Statistics.

The week commencing Sunday, Nov. 8, will be observed throughout the civilized world as a season of prayer for young men and Young Men's Christian Associations. This custom had

ITS ORIGIN

in a resolution adopted by the International Convention of the American Associations held in Albany, N. Y., in 1866, and has been observed every year since at the recommendations of subsequent conventions. There are now 2,900 associations in the world distributed as follows: North America, 994; Great Britain, 503; France, 72; Germany, 549; Holland, 396; Switzerland, 268; Denmark, 43; Belgium, 24.

There are a dozen more or less, in the countries of Spain, Italy, Turkey, Russia, Austria, Japan, Syria, South Africa, Australia, New Zealand, Madagascar and India. The American organizations are the strongest and best organized of any. They number 629 general associations, 100 colleges, 69 railroads, 24 colored and 13 German. They own 82 buildings, valued at \$3,532,000, and have a total net property of \$4,353,000. 415 men give their whole time as secretaries, librarians, and gymnasium instructors. The yearly expenses of the American association amount to \$750,000.

The expenses for railroad work is \$75,000 per year, two thirds of which is contributed by the railroad companies, who testify to the general benefits resulting to their employees, in this special department of the Y. M. C. A. work. The international committee has its headquarters at New York city. It employs ten secretaries, whose business it is to visit all parts of the two countries, advising with and consulting with associations, both state and local. The expenses of the committee last year were over \$30,000, which amount was contributed by the friends of the cause.

The Illinois state convention met at Galesburg Oct. 8-11. It was recommended by the state executive committee that \$6,000 be raised this year for the work of the state. Two secretaries are devoting their time to the increase of the work. It was recommended that an addition of two more be secured to further it in all its departments throughout the state. The

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of this city intend to observe the week of prayer in their rooms each evening during the week except Wednesday. They invite all men to the meetings. Our young men as well as strangers will find their rooms a pleasant place to spend their evenings. Their reading room has among the best leading periodicals, both secular and religious, on file; also a good library, writing material, games, etc., free to all. It will be found a pleasant place to spend the evenings, and one will always receive a cordial welcome.

Unfounded Insinuations.

That was a strange deed and a strange action by parents which occurred in Rock Island last week Thursday, and to which no Rock Island paper referred till Sunday morning, when the *Ligon* says: "A boy, aged 11 years was seen lying on a flatboat at the river bank, below Weyerhaeuser & Denkmann's mill on Thursday. On being approached he was found to be dead. On examination by a physician his death was pronounced to have been from diphtheria. Further inquiry proved that his name was Johnnie Plueger, that his parents came from Michigan to Davenport, and afterwards to Rock Island, where the boy died, and they went away."

The above appeared in last night's *Davenport Democrat*, and strange to say, the *Gazette* of this morning copied it verbatim. Had either of the Davenport papers exercised enterprise and diligence enough to have investigated the matter alluded to, before proclaiming negligence on the part of Rock Island papers they would have found as the *Amos* did several days ago, that the article in the *Union* was a gross misrepresentation of the actual occurrence. But we will allow the *Union* to correct its own blunders, as it did yesterday morning, thus:

The inference which might be drawn from the statement in our last issue, that Johnnie Plueger had been abandoned on the log raft previous to internment by his parents, is not true. The parents were present when Messrs. Knox & Son undertook the last offices on an order from Postmaster Koch, and they accompanied the remains to the cemetery.

It is to be hoped the papers across the river will be as prompt in correcting the unjust reflection they have cast upon the Rock Island papers—as well as the distressed and poverty stricken family—as they have been in insinuating about things they knew nothing about.

Track Talk.

The Rock Island & Peoria has material on the grounds for two new iron bridges to be built over Rock river this fall, the work to commence November 1.

The C. B. & Q. is running passenger trains on the new embankment on this side of the C. R. I. & P. round house, but no freight trains have been run over it yet. Contractor Reynolds will commence the embankment on the east end immediately, and I hope to complete it by the first of the new year.

The Rock Island & Peoria has removed the old car shops near the company's round house, thereby putting in three new tracks, and making additional storage for seventy-five cars. The roof of the old Mercer County round house has been lowered to the level of the Rock Island & Peoria round house, a good covering has been put on and other improvements made in uniformity with the balance of the building.

President R. R. Cable of the "Great Rock Island route" is in the city today en route from the west to his home in Chicago. Mr. Cable is looking after his interests in the Rock Island & Peoria road, and as usual is busy and "knows of nothing new in railroad circles."

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THE SOLDIERS' HOME.

No Decision Yet—The Rock Island Delegation Still Hopeful.

The Chicago *Tribune* contains the following today in regard to the soldiers' home commission, which reconvened at the Grand Pacific hotel yesterday afternoon:

After three weeks of ineffectual balloting on the site of the Illinois soldiers' home the commission gathered at the Grand Pacific yesterday for another try. No one seemed anxious to have it begin, however, and it was 3 o'clock before the commission came to order. A number of ballots showed the members as much divided as ever, and an adjournment to 9 o'clock this morning followed. Strict secrecy is enjoined upon the members, the secretary even departing when the balloting begins, but it was stated on good authority that Decatur, Dixon and Springfield each received three votes during the session, without the vote of Gen. Wallace, who it was said, cast his ballot each time for Rockford. On this report Gen. Wallace was fairly besieged after the meeting by the advocates of the different towns, but he remained non-committal. The members of the commission are becoming pretty well tired out with the contest, and are about ready to decide the matter to get rid of it.

The delegations from the competing towns were both numerous and hopeful, or, at least, they were numerous and they were hopeful, although any reason for the latter was not at all obvious. In the belief that the time place not represented in the commission would be finally selected as a compromise, Rock Island was somewhat jubilant, and its delegation, composed of Hon. H. C. Cleveland, Sheriff John H. Post, Charles H. DeLoach, E. H. Bowman, and M. Rosenfield, did not allow the glass to grow. They spoke of 120 acres on a splendid elevation looking on Rock river, a mile from the city, with a street car track to the grounds, and a certainty of waterworks. "The prospects are good," said Mr. Rosenfield. "A new place is bound to get it. If the commission does not decide here, it leaves Chicago, it will never meet again."

Third Ward Republicans.

The republicans of the Third ward held a caucus at the Wide Awake house last evening, of which W. H. East, Esq., was elected chairman, and Edward Lieberknecht, secretary. James Johnston was nominated for alderman by acclamation, and a committee composed of R. E. Coyne, J. O. Freed and Edward Lieberknecht was appointed to work at the polls next Tuesday in the interests of the ticket. The nominee is the present chief engineer of the fire department, and is foreman of Mr. David Don's stove and furnishing establishment.

There was considerable dissatisfaction felt over the manner in which the caucus was conducted. Before the nomination was made Chas. Hengstler moved that a ballot be taken, which motion was carried. Then a motion to nominate by acclamation was made, and the chairman set aside the former motion and put the latter. Several gentlemen who were opposed to Johnston wished to vote for another gentleman, but they were not accorded the privilege. It was cut and dried that Johnston was to have the nomination, and upon the strength of the probable result, he has been electing ever since Mr. Henry tendered his resignation.

Cooking Water.

A correspondent of the Boston *Transcript* writes a story concerning the way in which the late Charles Delmonico used to talk about the new hot water cure. He said the Delmonicos were the first to recommend it to the guests who complained of having no appetite. "Take a cup of hot water and lemon and you will feel better," was the formula adopted. The lemon juice takes away the insipidity of the hot water. For this anti-bilious remedy the caterers changed the price of a drink of their best liquors—25 cents or more and it certainly was a wise way to spend small change than in alcohol. "Few people know how to cook water," Charles used to affirm. "The secret is, putting good, fresh water into a neat kettle already quite warm, and setting the water to boiling quickly, and then taking it right off to use in tea, coffee, or other drinks, before it is spoiled. To let it steam, and simmer, and evaporate until the good water is all in the atmosphere, and the lime, and iron, and dregs only left in the kettle, but that is what makes a great many people sick, and is worse than no water at all."

Following Jim's Advice. The immortal James G. Blaine, whom in later years the almanac statisticians will chronicle as "a candidate for president in 1884," once wrote to his dear friend Fisher, "Burn this letter." It would have been a joyful thing for Jim if Fisher had complied.

To remove the locus of the request and bring it home to Rock Island, the *Amos* skinner noticed that the janitor of court house square was having a big bonfire with the leaves he had raked from the surface of the lawn. Those leaves would have made a book could they have told all they have seen and heard and consequently know of what has happened since they burst forth from their containing buds last spring. Many a palpitating heart will cease its rapid fluttering when they read this item this evening and learn that the leaves in court house square have been given to the flames and the ashes scattered to the four winds of Heaven.

Chauteauque Circle.

A second Rock Island class of the Chauteauque Literary and Scientific Circle was organized at the residence of Rev. I. W. Read last evening, with the election of the following officers:

President—Rev. I. W. Read. Vice President—Miss Kate Battles. Secretary—Dr. Hawley. Treasurer—C. E. Hawley. Committee on Program—J. W. Welch, Miss Anna Kirkpatrick, Miss Young, On Soliciting Members—Mrs. C. E. Hawley, Miss Battles, Charles Knox. A meeting will be held at a future day when a class name will be selected and work commenced.

Hard Coal.

Have you bought your hard coal? Watkins & Hill will deliver all grades of hard coal. Give them a call. Telephone 1197.

H. W. Shaw (Josh Billings) has made a big fortune of \$100,000 out of his

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BRIEFLETS.

Nice bananas at Lamp's. The Jefferson club will meet in monthly session Saturday evening.

Dr. J. W. Stark, dentist, 1722 Second avenue.

Samuel Heagy, of Hampton, was in the city today.

Dr. McDaniel, dentist, corner Third avenue and Twentieth street. If Messrs. Lothar Harms, Aug Herkert, and M. M. Sturgeon, returned from camp Warner, near New Boston, last night.

Malaga grapes at Lamp's. Eleven members of the Burr Oaks combination are stopping at the Rock Island house.

New mince meat at Lamp's. Misses' rubber 25c per pair at Carse & Co's.

Mr. Basilius Winter will be elected alderman of the Third ward without a doubt. The nomination of Johnston settled it for a certainty.

Men's rubber boots for \$2.20 at Carse & Co's. Besides having the benefit of a good democratic majority, Mr. Winter is one of the most popular gentlemen in the Third ward, and his election is a foregone conclusion.

Kangaroo waukeuplast for comfort. Call and see them at Carse & Co's. Johnston makes a better fire marshal than he would alderman, and the general impression is that one office is enough for him to hold at the time.

W. Peterson & Co have just received a new stock of men's hip rubber boots. Mr. and Mrs. Will Swiler, of Angus, Iowa, arrived in the city last evening from Chicago, to spend a few days visiting friends.

Rubbers for ladies, 30c per pair at Carse & Co's. Mr. Victor Langfield, the genial member of our traveling representative of the Willow Springs Distilling Co. of Omaha, Neb., made one of his periodical visits to this vicinity.

Boston rubber boots at W. A. Peterson & Co's. Mrs. Ralph Babcock, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sharp at Carlton Cliff, for the past month, has returned to her home at Newell, Iowa, her father-in-law, John Babcock, accompanying her.

Men's and children's arctic, the finest fleeco lined, the lowest prices, at W. Peterson & Co's. Martin Schoonmaker, Esq., ex-supervisor from Reynolds, was surprised last week on the occasion of his fifty-first birthday anniversary. The affair, though informal in all its bearing, attested the popularity of Mr. Schoonmaker in the county.

Ladies' riding boots in the lined arctic, at W. Peterson & Co's. Johnston is a standing candidate for alderman in the Third ward, but he invariably gets left. The democrats have too much of a majority to allow a republican to represent them in the council chamber.

Fred Eichert, one of the most prominent merchants and citizens of Davenport, died at 1:30 to-day.

Patronize the ladies of Trinity Guild, Thursday at dinner, given in Turner hall. Go again in the evening, enjoy the novel and pretty entertainment by "The Ithorics."

Remember the dinner at Turner hall on Thursday at 12 o'clock, oyster soup, young roast turkey and plum pudding, will be served, all for 50 cents. And at the same place, supper can be had for those wishing it, before the entertainment at 7 o'clock, for 35 cents.

While in Springfield last week, J. T. Kenworthy, Esq., had an opportunity of feeling the popular pulse in regard to the location of the soldiers' home, and he says the people at large favor Rock Island above any other city in the state. This is a pointer for the commission.

Mr. Morris Heagy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Heagy, of Hampton, has gone to Chicago to enter Prof. Cross' school of type writing and stenography. He graduated from the Port Byron institute with honors, but his parents are anxious that he should have every advantage possible in the profession he has chosen.

We call the attention of our readers to Mrs. Dr. Keck's announcement in another column. This lady is meeting with excellent success in the treatment of chronic diseases, as is shown by testimonials from her many patients. Recommendations of this kind speak volumes in favor of the special treatment of the Doctor, who will be in attendance personally at her infirmary Nov. 4.

Hard Coal Market. Pea coal, \$7.00; grate and egg, \$7.75; range, and No. 4, \$8.00 per ton; reprocessed and No. 4, all best quality of anthracite. Extra cartage charged on orders of less than one ton. Blacksmith's coal, Connellsville coke and charcoal, 1903 Second avenue. E. G. Franz.

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